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U.S. Application No.:	10/567,289	)
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International Filing Date:	July 8, 2004	)
U.S. Filing Date:	February 3, 2006	)
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For:	Covering Made of Form-Retaining Parts)	
	In Particular for a Floor, Covering Parts)	
	For Use Therein and Method for	)
	Connecting the Covering Parts	)

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**RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS**

Sir/Madam:

In response to the Notification of Missing Requirements mailed September 19, 2006, a copy of which is attached, we are filing herewith the executed Declaration and Power of Attorney. Please charge any underpayment or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 13-2490.

The Applicants submit that the response to the Notice is complete. Prompt consideration and entry of this response and attachments are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: November 20, 2006

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### NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Copy of the International Application filed on 02/03/2006
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 02/03/2006
- Copy of IPE Report filed on 02/03/2006
- Copy of Annexes to the IPER filed on 02/03/2006
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 02/03/2006
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 02/03/2006
- Priority Documents filed on 02/03/2006
- Specification filed on 02/03/2006
- Claims filed on 02/03/2006
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- Drawings filed on 02/03/2006

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.

**ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.**

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the response.*

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